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SUBJ: PATROL BOATS AND FISHING BOATS

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FOR COMMERCE

1. DETAILED INFORMATION ON PATROL VESSEL PURCHASE CONTAINED IN USDAO MEXICO 0246, DTG 052300 Z APR 73 APPARENTLY NOT RECEIVED BY DEPARTMENT. CONTRACT IS REPORTED FOR 21 PATROL VESSELS. EMBASSY HAS NO INFORMATION ON 15 AND 6 REFERRED TO IN REFTEL. RECENT INFORMATION INDICATES VESSEL DESIGN WAS BY THORNYCRAFT COMPANY, BUT VESSELS TO BE BUILT IN UK SHIPYARDS AS OUTLINED IN DAO REFTEL, NOT RPT NOT IN THORNYCRAFT/ VOSPERS YARDS. RECENT REPORT RECEIVED BY DAO INDICATES POSSIBLE ARRANGEMENT INVOLVING PURCHASE OF MEXICAN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS BUT NO DETAILS AVAILABLE. DETAILS OF LOAN AND INTEREST RATE CONTAINED IN PARAGRAPH 2 OF DAO REFTEL.

2. FISHING BOAT CONSTRUCTION PROCEEDING AT FULL SPEED IN VARIOUS MEXICAN SHIPYARDS. SMALL NUMBER OF SHRIMP BOATS REPORTED IN WATER IN FINAL COMPLETION STAGES BUT NONE OPERATING YET. EMBASSY BELIEVES THERE MAY STILL BE POSSIBILITY FOR SOME KINDS OF PACKAGE ARRANGEMENT FOR EQUIPMENT FOR SHRIMP BOATS, E. G. ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT PACKAGE, ENGINE CONTROLS, ETC. CONTACT FOR THIS IS ING. JORGE SANCHEZ AGUILAR, BANFOCO, VERSALLES 15, MEXICO, D. F. (SEE MEXICO A-671).

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3. ALSO AS REPORTED ON A-671, THERE IS ACTIVE INTEREST IN
CONSTRUCTION OF UP TO 20 TUNA PURSE SEINERS, REPORTEDLY UP TO 1000
TONS CARRYING CAPACITY EACH. CURRENT REPORTS INDICATE THESE MAY
BE CONSTRUCTED EITHER IN MEXICO OR IN FOREIGN
YARDS, OR BOTH. PACKAGE DEAL DEFINITELY APPROPRIATE FOR THESE.
CONTACT IS SANCHEZ AGUILAR ABOVE.
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